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To: Jud Testimony
Subject: RE: HJR 42 - Charla Nash Hearing

This is an e-mail I sent to Attorney General George Jepsen earlier this week:

As a lifelong resident of Connecticut for sixty-four years I feel it necessary to weigh-in on the Charla Nash hearing and her request to sue the state.

I don't think a ruling in favor of allowing her to sue Connecticut is the right one at all. Though, no one can deny what happened was no less than a tragedy, we can't forget that Charla was a longtime friend of Sandra Herold and on many occasions visited her and Travis without any concerns for her safety. It appears her response to Herold's call for help to corral Travis, she did willingly and without hesitation because she was very familiar with the chimp and the living conditions and had no reason to think any harm would come to her.

I agree with Attorney General George Jepsen that a ruling in favor, "would open the floodgates" and set a dangerous precedent that the tax payers of this state cannot afford. Even a possible structured settlement would be financially devastating to taxpayers.

Respectfully, Ron Brown